

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Susan W. BARNETT et al.

Application No.: 09/475,704

Confirmation No.: 6738

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Art Unit: 1635

For: POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING
ANTIGENIC HIV TYPE C POLYPEPTIDES,
POLYPEPTIDES AND USES THEREOF

Examiner: J. Pitrak

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Madam:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated January 16, 2009 (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20090114), for which a response was due on April 16, 2009, and the Advisory Action dated May 4, 2009. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for the response to July 16, 2009. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is also enclosed. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. A reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.